TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMAN MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, APRIL12, 2011

Present: Selectman: Michael Woodworth and Tom Hayward. Others present included: Duane Hyde, Steve Shope, Clay Mitchell and Natalie Fream.

Call to order at 7:03 pm.

The Selectman reviewed and signed:

• Checks

• Abatements: 208-4.4, 204-38, 214-25, 210-16, 102-71, 209-8.8

Duane Hyde, from The Nature Conservancy, and Steve Shope, from the Newfields Conservation Commission, met with the Selectman to inform them of the Case Conservation Project. The Conservation Commission has voted in favor of the project but will need to hold a public meeting to approve the expenditure of \$45,000.00 from the conservation fund. The Conservancy needs the Town's legal interest in the property in the form of Conservation Restrictions which are attached to the Grant Draft Agreement. Michael made a motion to support the project and agreed as presented. Tom seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

The Selectman reviewed the proposed fee increases submitted by Larry Shaw, Building Inspector, on the Fee Schedule Minimums. The new Fee Schedule is as follows:

• Residential Application Fee \$ 25.00 plus \$5.00 per Thousand.

• Commercial Application Fee \$125.00 plus \$7.00 per Thousand. Effective: April 12, 2011.

Motion was made by Tom to accept the new Fee Schedule as proposed, seconded by Michael. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Clay Mitchell met with the Board on the elimination of Section 7 from the previous version of the Alarm Ordinance. This was the Second Hearing.

The Selectman reviewed the RCCD Technical Review Rates and Payment Methods effective 4/15/11 and agreed to update Towns Web Site.

Natalie Fream, Main Street Art, updated the Board about The Project: Doors to Art which would open May 27, 2011 during the Memorial Day Celebration until August 27, 2011. They changed the location to Battles Park instead of Badger Park and felt the Lease insurance covered the Project. Natalie needs approval from the Selectman by Friday, April 15th.

Natalie Fream also met with the Selectman with an update on the 5 K Road Race to be held on June 25, 2011. Possible insurance options were discussed before a final decision can be made.

The Town Audit Report was tabled until the next meeting.

The Monthly Town Expenditures for March were reviewed by the Selectman.

Tom presented a Town E-Mail Proposal which would increase our ability to inform the public about all town related matters that are considered public knowledge. The data base could be created by:

- Sending a request home and/or through the elementary school
- Add a website link which would allow anyone to sign up when viewing our web page
- Contact town organizations to ask their members to sign up and who would not be part of the school
- Have sign up sheets at Town Hall, Library and General Store
- Lastly, call all those who have not been reached by any other means.

The Board will be kept updated by Tom.

Minutes of the March 29th meeting were read and approved as written. Motion was made by Michael, and seconded by Tom. All were in favor and the motion carried.

At 8:45 pm, Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Michael. The motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna C. Newman Deputy Town Clerk